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What England and America Eat and Drink.

The last general census of Great Britain and Ireland gave them a population of 27,619,066, and in 1840, when our last census was taken, the United States and Territories numbered in population 23,101,876. What may ever be the population of the two countries to-day, it is evident that they are in this respect more nearly equal than in 1851.

Last year the United Kingdom drank, or warehoused, for future drinking, 33,338,111 lbs of coffee; while the United States during the same time disposed of 174,497,161 lbs, principally from Brazil, the West Indies, Venezuela, Arabia and Java. Thus we consumed nearly five times as much coffee as our fatherland. It is however, to be noted, that we have no duty on either tea or coffee. Great Britain reaps a large revenue from both.

In 1858, the English, Irish and Scotch used nearly seventy-four millions pounds of tea. Their American "cousins" could not sip more than 28,766,577 lbs of this production of China. It is well known that the great majority of Englishmen take tea at their breakfast as well as at their evening meal.

Last year the people of Great Britain sweetened their coffee, tea, punch, etc., and made their confectionery with 847,693,400 pounds of sugar. We imported and kept for our own use 473,029,200 lbs of foreign sugars, to say nothing of 24,500,000 gallons of molasses, which were not wholly made into rum. To the above sum we would add more than 300,000,000 pounds of cane and maple sugar made in the United States.

The use of cocoa has never been so great in this country as in England, France, Germany and Spain. We did not, all told, import quite two millions pounds, and we exported so much of it that we only had 899,288 lbs left for drinking and eating, (in the shape of chocolate confections.) Great Britain, however, consumed more than three millions pounds of this product of the tropics.

John Bull last year accompanied his dinner, treated himself in private and in public, with 6,697,146 gallons of wine. Brother Jonathan tickled his palate and excited his brain with 4,119,947 gallons of wines. Claret ("Red wines not enumerated"—the two mentioned forming more than one-half of the whole catalogue—"White wines not enumerated"—Sherry, Fort, etc., etc., the quantity of each decreasing in the order of their statement. But this was not the whole of the importation for our own use. We also received wine in bottles to the number of 394,356. We have altogether left out of consideration, the many bottles of Sparkling Catawba, Isabella, Missouri and Scuppernong.

In England the duty is very high on brandy, gin, etc., but the inhabitants of the "fast anchored Isle" (never forgetting the adjuncts of Ireland etc.,) managed in 1850 to "smile" over 1,108,105 gallons of brandy, nearly three half millions of rum, and 26,235 gallons of Geneva.

Of imported "from grain and other material," including cordials, we inflamed our stomachs, and in various other ways made use of 2,763,333 gallons. When we add to this the barrels, hogsheads and pipes of "Old Bourbon," Young Bourbon, the various ancestors and descendants of "Monongahela," "Apple Jack," "Stone Fence," "Rot Gut," "Medford Rum," and "Blue Ruin," all made at home, the name of "spirits" is more than "legion." Indeed, the domestic manufacture of intoxicating liquors was so much beyond the home consumption last year that we exported 5,084,735 gallons to other parts of the world.

To Turkey in Europe we sent 1,500,000 gallons of spirits, mostly new rum; to Turkey in Asia, we sent 330,120 gallons; to Egypt we sent only 8,500 gallons; to other

parts of Africa besides Egypt we sent 872,625 gallons.

It must be remembered that Great Britain and Ireland also import large quantities of spirits. Great Britain imported (and doubtless seasoned her meats with) 4,030,063 pounds of pepper, while we imported more than millions of black and red pepper, and kept more than nine millions of it for our own use.

In England there is a great penchant for currants in pudding and cake, hence the consumption from the "Isles of Greece" reach in English statistics for 1853 the enormous amount of 38,453,100 pounds. The Malaga and other grape-growing and curing countries are laid under contribution for nearly twenty-six million pounds of raisins, while Sicily and other semi-tropic and tropic lands furnish almost a million bushels of oranges and lemons.

During our last financial year we did not import one-twelfth as many currants as Great Britain, but we received from Southern Europe only two million pounds of raisins less than the English. As to oranges lemons, and limes, we purchased for our consumption to the amount of \$760,137, which turned into bushels would probably make us refresh ourselves with more than five times as many bushels of this fruit as were imported into the United Kingdom last year. Thousands of barrels of oranges are also grown in our own South.

In regard to smoking, snuffing, and chewing, the Englishman is supposed to do the first, the Irishman and Scotchman the second, and the American all three, with an intensity, in comparison with an "old countryman," as one to four. In 1858 there passed through Her Majesty's Custom-house nearly 15,000,000 of pounds of "stemmed" tobacco, and more than nineteen millions of "unstemmed." We imported from Havana and elsewhere, for our own smoking, nearly three hundred millions of cigars, brought from abroad nearly ten tons of snuff, and of foreign tobacco, in other shapes, to the amount of about six millions pounds. After exporting, in the leaf and manufactured, nearly twenty million dollars' worth of tobacco, we must have retained, at the least calculation, more than fifty millions of pounds.

Last year the United Kingdom, with an area of not quite 120,000 square miles enclosed her lands with 333,541 tons of guano. The United States, with an area of nearly 3,000,000 square miles, did not employ one-half that quantity.

England's largest customers, in 1858, were:

1st. India, exclusive of Ceylon and Singapore, who bought to the amount of £16,782,515
2d. The United States 14,013,088
3d. Australia 10,464,198
The greatest purchasers from the United States, in the last financial year, were:
1st. The United Kingdom of Great Britain, exclusive of Colonial population, \$168,105,843
2d. France proper 32,741,917
3d. Cuba 14,433,181

A PICTURE OF "THE LITTLE GIANT."—A writer in the Cincinnati Commercial draws the following not very flattering picture of Senator Douglas:

Douglas belongs by temperament and constitution to the race of bullies. His proper legitimate sphere is the bar room or the prize ring. He is just the kind of man to be the favorite of blacklegs and the idol of bottle holders. His endowments of limb and muscle, his compact and burly solidity of form, and enormous fistic strength, would have made him *facie princeps* among the Sullivans, the Morrisseys, and the Hemans. But the Horoscope of his fortunes was differently cast, and having settled early in life in a backwoods country, he was fated to become a politician. In a community of little intellectual or moral culture, his rise was rapid, for his powers were just of the compass which fitted him to shine where a man of finer nature would have failed. He possessed moderate intellectual talents, an iron will, untiring energy, and unbounded ambition. He rose at length, through various gradations, to be a Senator of the United States, and with greedy eyes devouring the Presidency from afar, he has shaped every scheme and strained every nerve to win it. * * * * * The powers of Douglas as a public orator are limited to a plain and monotonous repetition of one idea, and a bovine power of belching it to the largest audience. He is destitute alike of variety, compass, humor, pathos and eloquence. He exhibits not a solitary gleam of genius, not a ray of wit, nor a spark of imagination. The only element of eloquence he possesses is the *vox et proterea nihil* of Virgil.

Polly being bantered by some of her female friends in regard to her lover, who had but one leg, she replied, smartly: "Pooh! I wouldn't have a man with two legs; they're too common."

Why was Adam the best runner that ever lived? Because he was the first in the human race.

If a boatswain marries, does his wife become a boatswain's mate?

News Items.

The last Overland Mail from San Francisco carried 2,616 letters, of which 2,497 were destined for the States.

The news from Europe by the last Overland Mail to San Francisco, was thirty-six days old, letters having been received from Liverpool to Oct. 14.

Senator Hale publishes a letter in the Chicago *Press* and *Tribune*, denouncing in *toto* any knowledge or complicity in the late insurrection of Harper's Ferry, and pledging himself, if evidence be laid before the Grand Jury of Maryland or Virginia, implicating him, to go there for trial. This denial was called out by charges made by the N. Y. Herald.

Six thousand pounds of silver ore from the Washoe diggings, have been received at Sacramento, and shipped to San Francisco.

THE ITALIAN QUESTION MORE CLOUDED THAN EVER.—The London *Post*, speaking of the Zurich treaty, says that, assuming its information to be correct, the further proposals concerning the questions left open which it is intended to submit to a General Congress, are of such nature that the diplomats of Zurich have only heaped up materials of fresh difficulties. England can not and will not take any part in any Congress where self-government is not the first principle of the recognition of the rights of Romagna and Tuscany, no less than those of the Modenes and Parmesan States. The first cannon-shot fired to force on the people of Romagna, Modena or Tuscany, any other rulers than the Italian Princes, in whom they so fondly put their trust, will be a signal of conflict as deadly as the one just brought to a close.

MEXICAN NEWS.—Advices from Brownsville state that the fever has disappeared from that vicinity. The citizens of Brownsville had formed themselves into battalions to stand guard nightly.

Advices from Monterey to the 28th ult., had been received. Durango, in the State of Durango, was taken and sacked on the 10th, by a band of one hundred robbers. On the arrival of the troops they were dispersed, and many of them were killed.

The army of Monterey had pronounced war against Gen. Viganzo, who

Gen. Marquez had been defeated twice near Guadalupe, by Gen. Ogason, commanding a force of Liberals. Gen. Marquez had asked for reinforcement from Gen. Wall.

A writer of the last century quaintly observed that when the "canons of the Prince began war the canons of the church were destroyed. It was," said he, "first mitre that governed the world, and then nitre—first Saint Peter, and then salt petre."

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Victoria, Sept. 24, 1859.

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Nov 7-1m

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A. R. GREEN & Co.

REMOVAL.

H AAS & ROSENFIELD have removed
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adjoining the Royal Hotel.

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PAINTERS' COLORS.—English White

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FOR SALE at my Store a Large Variety

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Parties indebted are requested to settle up, and

creditors will please send in their bills for

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A. DE COSMOS, - - - EDITOR.

VICTORIA, VANCOUVER ISLAND.

Tuesday Morning, December 6, 1859.

The Four Candidates.

"With the exception of Messrs. Langford, Franklin, Crease, and Capt. Gossett, we do not know a candidate amongst the number already talked of, who is in the slightest degree fit for the position to which he is aspiring"—*Times' Victoria Gazette*.

It will be remembered that in the last number of the *Times*, the editor was named as a candidate for Salt Spring Island. To give himself such hard work as the above extract deals out is, therefore, very amusing—but no doubt he is a competent judge. The army of patriots who are willing to serve the country need not, consequently, be surprised that their merits have not been discovered, when such rare talent is depreciated. Were the above true, the position of the country would certainly be deplorable. Like the doomed cities of the plain, we would not have enough "fit" men to save us from political destruction! Only four candidates fit to represent nine constituencies returning thirteen members. Only four righteous men; when seven are necessary to constitute a majority and save the country. We pity Mr. Attorney General Cary on other than political ground, because he has not been deemed a "fit" person, but we must commend the discernment of our cotemporaries in this instance at least. Were we, however, to analyze the list offered to us in the above extract, we would reduce it down to one—to E. E. Langford, Esq. The other candidates have yet failed to show themselves "fit." If non-committalism is the criterion, they have afforded a superabundance. Mr. Crease professionally may be a very reliable and very worthy gentleman, but show the instance where he sympathized with the people—with reform. His political creed is like that of the Mexican woman, who, when asked why she prayed "Save me good Lord, save me good Devil," replied "This is a strange world, and there is no knowing whose hands I'll fall into!" So with this learned candidate. He would serve all parties—the Hudson Bay Company and Reformers—at the same time, and particularly now, when an election is at the door. We would much rather prefer, than such a candidate as he. For over a year he has resided in this community. Can any one point to a single act on the side of reform? The contrary is evident. Late he canvassed Victoria county as the tacit, if not open, calumniator of Reformers and the Reform party. Such men, therefore, as he, had better be laid on the shelf, for men of tried political honesty: Messrs. Yates and Waddington for instance.

The other two candidates are infinitely superior to Mr. Crease. As politicians they are more reliable, but neither comes up to the standard of Reform. Mr. Gossett is no doubt very efficient in the discharge of the multifarious duties devolving on him through the plurality of offices which he holds; but we are inclined to the opinion that he would serve the country better by remaining solely at the head of the Treasury than by holding a seat in the Legislature, as representative of Equanimity. Mr. Franklin, though a useful and worthy citizen, is not "the man for the times." What the Reform party require at the present juncture is men of sterling metal.

Mr. F. may be deeply imbued with reform principles; but the reform party believe that he would serve the interests of reform better by not urging his claims on the Victoria town constituency. Besides, if current opinion can be credited, his chances are present few. Another serious objection is urged against him, that he, like Mr. Crease, sympathises with Mr. Cary. That is sufficient to injure any one, for it is well known that he is a Hudson Bay candidate.

VICTORIA GAZETTE.—This is the name of a tri-weekly sheet issued yesterday by the proprietors of the *New Westminster Times*. In point of ability, its leading articles rank fully as high as the *Times*. We learn on good authority that the proprietors have made offers to H. C. Williston, Esq., to take the editorial charge of the paper; but he has declined, as was to be expected.

The Eliza Anderson arrived on Saturday from New Westminster, with about 30 passengers. No later intelligence of any great importance. The river was frozen up. The steamer Col. Moody was still frozen in.

PROROGATION.—The Assembly will meet at half past eleven A. M. on Wednesday, in order to proceed to the Council chamber, when His Excellency will prorogue the legislature.

Cameron's Bar Diggings.

From Mr. Spence, who belongs to the Mining Company known as Spence & Co., at Cameron's Bar, fifteen miles above the Forks, we derive the following interesting items relative to their claim. The claim is situated fifty feet above the highest water, on a bench, and was the first flat on which diggings were opened away from the river. The company comprise eleven persons, but in addition they have hired four or five hands. They built a ditch and flume about two miles long, round a very precipitous hillside, conducting ninety inches of water to their claim, at a cost of \$10,000. Owing to the bank caving, nearly the whole is fluming, sawed in the most expensive way, by hand. The claim has paid from \$25 to \$75 to the hand. And after all expenses were paid, during last summer, the net proceeds yielded over \$10 per day to the hand. The diggings are considered good for another year, at good wages; and will then pay to work a year longer, at small wages. The claim has been worked very systematically. Two sluices were kept running during the day, and at night a party were kept ground sluicing.

SECRET MEETINGS.—The Times and the *Times' Victoria Gazette*, are making a great deal to do about secret meetings. From the tenor of the articles one might suppose a mare's nest had been discovered. On inquiry whether such organizations exist, we learn that two meetings have taken place among the supporters of the candidates put forward by the *Times*. One meeting occurred not a thousand miles from Yates street. Another came off across a certain bay, in quarters furnished at the expense of the country. Among Reformers known, we have heard of no secrecy. They court investigation, knowing that their principles will stand the light of day.

We confess, however, that we cannot do such great injustice to the liberty of the subject as to find fault with any number of individuals meeting together as often as they please, to discuss political questions. When it is recollectcd how Justice Pember-ton expressed his abhorrence at public meetings held after dark, and that the *Try-Weakly* and *Weakly* organs are supposed to mirror governmental opinions, the distaste for political gatherings is accounted for. Such nonsense, however, from a high-toned English paper, is superlatively ridiculous. What country in the world has more political Clubs than ours? Why they "keep the meetings of the Times" no doubt will enlighten us when? It may have been that the *Times'* editorial corps were never admitted into those political circles, which fully accounts for the lack of political knowledge in certain quarters.

ONSTRUCTION.—On the official map of the town a street is laid down along the water's edge in front of the residence of his Excellency Gov. Douglas. It has been used always heretofore by pedestrians and vehicles to approach the southern side of the harbor. It is now obstructed immediately in front of Government House by the erection of three posts. This is doubtless another attempt to close the streets. Our advice to waggoners is to take an axe and abate the nuisance,—such arbitrary encroachments being insupportable.

FOUND MURDERED.—A half breed named Joseph Augur, who arrived here on the La-bouchere from Fort Simpson, was found yesterday morning at 8 o'clock, about half way to the Indian rancheria at the north end of town, stabbed in the abdomen in several places. His coat, cap and handkerchief were carried away. No clue has been discovered to the murderer or murderers.

NEW MAP.—A new map of British Columbia and Vancouver Island (by Wyld, Geographer to the Queen) has been laid on our table by Mr. Muir. The presumption is that it is the most correct map yet published. It is for sale at Hibben & Carswell's, Stationers' Hall.

FIRE ALARM.—The roof of Bayley's Hotel caught fire on Saturday, but was fortunately discovered by Mr. Bayley before the fire made much progress; and was therefore easily extinguished. It originated where the stove-pipe passed through the roof.

SNOW STORM.—We were visited yesterday by a snow storm, preceded by two or three days of severe cold weather. On Sunday morning the thermometer stood at 18°, two degrees lower than on the same day and the coldest day last year. The snow is about 8 inches deep.

SHIPMENT OF GOLD DUST.—Wells, Fargo & Co. shipped by the steamer Pacific, to San Francisco, yesterday, \$94,600. Macdonald & Co. shipped by Pacific, yesterday, \$6,500, and by the La-bouchere, \$18,300.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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which he is now prepared to offer at very reasonable prices.

Finest qualities of Black and Green Teas, Rio and Java Coffees, Chocolates, Preserved Fruits, Jams, Jellies, and a choice assortment of general Italian Olignon's Stores, selected with special care for family consumption.

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Victoria, Nov. 25, 1859. dec6-1m

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400 lbs English White do;
500 lbs French Sperm Candles;
500 lbs New Zante Currants;
200 lbs Candied Citron;
50 doz. California Com. Brooms assorted sizes;
Salt Salmon in casks for export.

By W. B. SMITH,
Corner Government and Yates sts.

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QUAKERS.

TOM AND JERRY. EARLY PERL.

MULLED ALE AND PORTER.

All the above Drinks 12½ cents per Glass at the
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dec6-1m

DASHAWAY ASSOCIATION NO. 15.

Will hold their Regular Monthly Business Meeting To-morrow Evening at 7 o'clock in the Dashaway Hall, Wharf street.

Victoria, Dec. 6, 1859.

JEWELRY.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS

RICH AND RARE!

Just received per Steamer Pacific,
FROM CALIFORNIA,
A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT
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Ladies' & Gentlemen's JEWELRY,

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in Victoria, and that the finest choice of bonbons from Paris, and of American delicacies ever offered on this side of the North American Continent, will be constantly kept on hand at the above sign; and that he will be ready at the shortest notice to execute all sorts of commands in his line, and furnish Restaurants, Hotels, and Private Families with an assortment of Syrups and Luxuries unparalleled in the history of this country. Enquire of Reinhard & Co. opposite Wells, Fargo & Co.

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All of which they will sell in large or small quantities to suit purchasers and at the lowest market prices.

Give us a call. LESTER & GIBBS,

Yates street, 2 doors above Waddington street.

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Porter and Maret Brandy in bottles:

Port and Sherry in casks:

Bass & Co's No. 3 Ale, New Brew;

Burton Brewery Co do do do;

Jones' Sparkling Devonshire Cider in cases;

Assorted Invoice Liquors &c.

For sale by DICKSON, CAMPBELL, & CO Corner Wharf and Johnson sts.

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EX STEAMER PACIFIC.

10,000 CIGARS,

LA VILLA DE GUION.

IT IS MOST CELEBRATED BRAND OF CI-

GARS, is directly received from Havana, and is offered for sale in small lots by

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CHINA RICE. No 1, China Rice. For

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FOR THE GREATER CONVENIENCE

of the Public, the YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION have removed their Reading Room to the trout room on the ground floor of the house of Dr. Dickson, opposite the Bastion, Government Street.

The public are invited to become subscribers to this room; on the table of which will be found the TIMES, ILLUSTRATED NEWS, SATURDAY REVIEW, ATHENEUM, RECORD, WATCHMAN, PATRIOT, SOLDIER, MERCHANT, CHIEF, NEW YORK HERALD, NEWSPAPER BULLETIN, MONTRAL TIMES, BRITISH COLONIST, VICTORIA CAZETTE, NEW WESTMINSTER TIMES, and other Newspapers.

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The Secretary will be in attendance every Monday and Thursday evening, from 6 to 7 o'clock, to receive subscribers' names.

N. B.—Donations of Newspapers, Magazines, or Books, thankfully received.

Books, n29-1m

GARDEN SEEDS,

FLOWER SEEDS,

FRUIT

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FIELD SEEDS.

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FURNITURE.

DR. H. D. LONGAKER,

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WOULD RESPECTFULLY INFORM

the public that he has returned to Victoria, where he will remain until Dec. 5th. All necessary operations performed on teeth in the most tender manner.

Artificial Teeth inserted on Gold or Silver Plate, perfectly cured without pain.

Teeth extracted in the most careful manner. Ether given if desired.

N. B.—All jobs warranted to give entire satisfaction.

One or two evenings street, next door to Bailey's Hotel.

All persons who may desire it will be waited upon at their residence.

Horse Fly Creek Diggings.

Mr. Patterson who belongs to a party of thirteen miners who, in August last, left the lower Fraser for the Quesnelle river diggings, lately arrived here, direct from Horse Fly Creek, and furnishes us with a brief account of the diggings in that quarter. Horse Fly Creek is one of the tributaries of Quesnelle River, 75 miles North-east of Fort Alexander, and about 60 to 100 miles from the lower spurs of the Rocky Mountains. The south fork of Quesnelle takes its rise in a lake 25 miles long. Emptying into this lake is Horse Fly Creek, which takes its rise in another lake 40 miles long, farther to the North-east. Horse Fly is 50 miles long, 150 feet wide, and at the lowest stage of water 2 feet deep. There are several rapids about 25 miles up, in the lower part is a fall 12 feet high. Where Patterson & Co. were at work is 25 miles up the creek. In two weeks they took out \$2,000 in coarse scaly gold, on a bar. As they entered the bank the diggings improved. The highest yield in one day was 25 ounces to thirteen men; two pumping, two or three striping off the top dirt, one brazier, four rockers, and the other carrying dirt. Their best pay, as high as \$2 to the pan, was obtained in very red earth like burnt bricks. Underneath is blue clay. Beneath that is blue gravel or a "blue lead," of the same character as that in California that has paid so richly. The creek is full of bars. A miner named McArthur had prospected higher up than Patterson & Co., but without much success. The pay dirt is 14 inches deep.

Webb & McGahey had sunk a shaft 27 feet into the blue lead, but did not strike anything, except the color, all the way down. In the spring they intend sinking lower.

The Indians were very friendly, supplying them with fish and beaver meat in exchange for powder or biscuit, and refusing gold. They have not turned their attention yet to digging for gold.

The country is open, having a rich soil covered with tall grass. It is a splendid grazing region. The principal tree is a kind of tamarac, growing to a height of 200 feet, and not more than 14 inches in diameter. They grow principally on high ground.

A good wagon road, with but little trouble in removing fallen trees, might be made, from the Fountain to Horse Fly.

Mr. Patterson left on October 18th. It was then very cold; river closed with ice, and 4 inches of snow on the ground. He will return in March.

SLEIGHING.—The sleigh-bells rang out a merry peal yesterday, forcibly recalling happy days in other and distant regions.

NEW CLAIMANTS FOR THE BRODERICK ESTATE.—John Brown and Ellen Jane Brown his wife, have filed a petition in the Probate court for letters of Administration on the estate of David C. Broderick, as next of kin. They set up that the property of deceased is \$125,000 of real estate in this city, encumbered by about \$80,000 of mortgages. They further allege that Ellen Jane Brown is daughter, and only child now alive of John McGrath and Margaret McGrath, his wife, whose maiden name was Margaret Colbert, daughter of Michael Colbert, eldest brother of Mrs. Broderick, the mother of deceased, and that she is therefore the cousin in the second degree, of the deceased. They further allege that they know of no other relations of the deceased, now living, as nearly related as the petitioners. They contest the applications for letters of administration made by the Public Administrator, by Daniel Colton and Lucy Brown, and pray that letters may be issued to them.—*San Francisco Bulletin*.

A SINGULAR SATISFACTION.—In an English Journal of Missions we find a letter from a missionary in Sumatra, wherein the Reverend, among other devout nonsense, says: "I experience at this moment the satisfaction of examining the oven where my predecessor was roasted."

The Sacramento Standard says: If the Black Republican party, as a party, had originated the Harper's Ferry insurrection, Brown would have had a larger amount of the munitions of war at his command, and a more imposing force to lead to death and victory.

The office of the Newport (Ky.) *free* South, a paper of Republican proclivities, was mobbed October 28th, and the type scattered in the streets.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF VICTORIA, V. I.

ARRIVED.

Dec. 3.—Sloop Uncle Sam, Brown, Point Roberts.

Schr Harriet, Coffin, Port Townsend.

Dec. 5.—Str Eliza Anderson, Wright, New Westminster.

Sloop J C Caswell, Taylor, Port Townsend.

Schr Victoria Packet, Cole, Nanaimo.

Schr Homer, Hewett, Nanaimo.

Sloop Comet, Simpson, San Juan.

Str Otter, Mount, Port Townsend.

Str Pacific, Patterson, Port Townsend.

CLEARED.

Dec. 3.—Sloop Uncle Sam, Brown, San Juan.

Sloop Flying Cloud, Isaacs, Salt Spring Island.

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Sloop Comet, Simpson, San Juan.

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Str Pacific, Son, San Francisco.

Justice.

MR. EDITOR.—An article in the New Westminster Times of Saturday advertises to Major Downie's report in connection with a map which I have been preparing for publication. As the above article might lead to some misapprehension on the part of the public, I beg to state that I had nothing to do with it nor was I aware of its existence until mentioned to me. It is true that the Skeena river and especially the chain of lakes connecting it with Fort James are laid down on my map exactly as related by Major Downie, but a considerable error existed at its point of junction with the sea, which Major Downie has had the kindness to correct, as well as to furnish me with several other useful notes. Major Downie has the honor of having first thoroughly explored this river and demonstrated the possibility of a communication by it with the Northern Fraser.

ALFRED WADDINGTON.

THANKS—To Wells, Fargo & Co's Express and Hibben and Carswell, Booksellers, for exchanges.

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J. A. McCrea, having leased that large and commodious Sale Room situated on Wharf street, near A. Kaindl, is prepared to receive Merchandise, either for Public or Private sale.

He will also give his personal attention to the sale of Real Estate.

A Register will be kept of Property for Sale.

REGULAR SALE DAYS—MONDAY and

TUESDAY.

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

A T A MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE held this day, it was resolved as follows:

1st. The first Winter Concert for this Season shall be given in the winter preceding Christmas Day. Each Member, in addition to a personal subscription, will contribute to a ticket admitting two free.

2d. The annual meeting of the whole Society for musical practice will be held in the ensuing week, at a place and time to be announced in subsequent advertisement.

3d. All Members are particularly requested to attend such meeting, and to invite such of their friends as may wish to become members of the Society. The attendance of all persons proposing to take a part in the performances is especially desirable.

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Hibert's London Porter and India Pale Ale; J. W. Bridges & Son's best Stout Porter; Robert Porter & Co.'s London Porter, in pts & qts; Jones' E. I. P. Ale and London Stout Porter; Robert Toul's London Porter and Burton Ale; Saunders & Cameron's bottled Beer.

—ALSO—

Batzer & Co.'s London Preserved Fruits, in bottles; " " Jams, in jars;

" " Lozenges and Scotch Mixtures, tins.

—ALSO—

Superior Stout Red Port, in 1 doz. cases; " " in 3 doz. cases.

—ALSO—

Select assortment of Gosnell & Co.'s PERFUMERY, consisting of Hair Brushes, Soaps, Perfumes, &c., &c., of the finest quality.

—ALSO—

Minie Rifle Carbines, brass mounted, elevating sights;

Minié Rifle Carbines, with hair triggers, do.; Revolvers and Holster Pistols;

Double-Barreled Carbines, steel mounted;

Rifles and Indian Guns, of various patterns.

—ALSO—

Booth's Old Tom;

Burnett & Co.'s Old Tom, with patent stoppered bottles.

Also, received from London—

Capt. G. Rhodes' Patent Field and Guard TENTS, complete;

Portable Chairs, forming Bedsteads, with Mattresses, &c., complete;

Crimean Canteens, &c., &c., &c.

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FOR SALE BY

DICKSON, CAMPBELL & CO., Corner Wharf and Johnson streets—

Brandy, 5 hds. Martell, Martell's and Imperial;

do. 200 cases Imperial;

do. 100 cases Cognac;

Rum, 25 1/2 casks fine old Jamaica;

Whisky, 2 puns. Irish;

Sherry, 34 1/2 casks med um and superior;

Port, 28 1/2 casks superior;

do. 23 do. fair;

do. 10 cases, a choice article;

Champagne, 75 cases, qts and pts;

Claret, 100 cases;

Ale, 25 hds. Bass No. 3, new brew;

do. Burton Brewery Co. and Morice Cox & Co., in bottles;

Porter, Morice Cox & Co., in bottles. 621-1f

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Sugar, crushed and bastard;

Rice, Carolina and Patna;

Soap, best English;

Candles, Crystalline and Sperm;

Starch, Colgate's;

do. blue;

Matches, wax Vestas;

Hams and Bacon;

Irish Butter;

Pearl Barley;

Scotted Oatmeal;

Arrowroot;

Pickles, Pie Fruits, Mustard;

Sauces, &c., &c.

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NOTICE.

THE BRITISH COLONIST

Will hereafter be published on

TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY

MORNINGS.

THE WEEKLY EDITION,
Containing the Original News, and Miscellaneous matter of the week, for circulation in the country, will be issued on

SATURDAY OF EACH WEEK.

Wholesale Prices Current.

CORRECTED TRI-WEEKLY.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

Ploughs, each \$18 1/2

Scythes and scythes, p. doz. \$30 1/2

Wheat arrows, 72 1/4

ANCHORS.

Large size, p. lb. 12 1/2 @ 15

Small, " " 20

BRICKS.

Vancouver Island, common, p. M. 10 @ 14

California, " " none

English, hard, " " none

Fire Brick, " " 00 @ 85

BREAD.

Pilot, p. lb. 6 1/2 @ 8

Navy, " " 6 @ 7

Crackers, in tins, 12 @ 12

Cakes, ass'd, 12 @ 15

Cal. soda biscuit, 9 @ 11

sugar 13 @ 15

BOOTS & SHOES.

Men's L. L. d'bole sole & upper

calf dress boots, p. doz. \$72 1/2

double sole & upper 67 1/2

mining, 40 @ 60

dule sole kip, 36 1/2

cork sole, calf dress, 60

double sole & upper, calf, 66 1/2

water-proof boots, 42 1/2

India rubber, mining, 66 1/2

over shoes, 18

hf wlt d'lf dress brogans, 18 1/2

common, 14 @ 16

Youths' calf dress, 15 @ 20

Ladies' spring heel dress boots, 36 1/2

shoes, 13 1/2 @ 20

CAMPFIRE.

p. gallon, 00 @ 1 1/2

CANDLES.

Hydraulic Sperm, p. lb. 35 @ —

Eng. Cryst'line 45 @ 50

Adamantire, 22 1/2 @ 25

Ordinary, 20 @ —

CATTLE.

Beefs, p. lbs. 12 @ 14

Hogs, " " 15 @ 16

Sheep, " " 00 @ 16

CIGARS, &c.

Havana Regalias, p. M. 50 00 @ 80 00

Londres, " (scare) 30 00 @ 40 00

Manila Cigars, 00 00 @ 15 00

Cheroots, 00 00 @ 14 00

Imitation Havanas, 18 00 @ 40 00

T. D. Clay Pipes, p. gross, 00 @ 1 25

Glasgow, 1 25 @ 1 50

COFFEE.

Java, p. lb. 00 @ 22

Manila, " 18 @ 19

Rio, " 00 @ 18

Sandwich Island, p. lb. 00 @ 18

Roasted & ground, in 1 lb pkgs, 21 @ 22

COAL.

Vancouver Island, p. ton, \$11 50

(at the Nanaimo Coal mines) 4 @ 6

(None other in the market.)

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Manila, p. lb. 15 @ 18

Farmed cordage, 25

Bolt rope, 30 @ 40

Flax and hemp twine, 37 1/2 @ 75

Cotton twine, 35 @ 00

CROCKERY.

Assorted invoices sell at cost.

DRUGS.

Heavy brown sheetings, p. yd. 7 1/2 @ 11 1/2

shirtings, " " 9

Bl'ch'd shirtings & sheetings, p. yd. 8 1/2 @ 20

Double Sheetings, 6 to 12 qrs. 20 @ 40

Heavy brown drillings, p. yd. 11

Bleached " 12 1/2 @ 15

Cotton duck, Nos. 1-5 " 25 @ 37 1/2

Prints, " " 6-10 " 22 1/2 @ 28

American chintz, fast colors, p. yd. 12 1/2

English " " 30

French " " 35

Blankets, red, p. pair, \$4 @ 7

white, " " 3 1/2 @ 7

blue, " " 3 @ 4

green, " " 2 @ 2 7/8

grey, " " 2 @ 2 50

Heavy woolen long hose, p. doz. 4 50 @ 6 1/2

cotton long " 1 75 @ 5

" half " 1 25 @ 4

Liste Thread long Hose, " 10 00 @ 10 50

" half " 4 50 @ 4

Grey overshirts, flannel, " 16 @ 18 00

Blue and red " 14 @ 18 00

Und'shirts & dr'w's, cotton " 5 @ 7 50

" woolen " 8 00 @ 20 00

Satinet pants, " " 30 @ 26

Cassimere " 48 @ 72

Heavy coats, " " 72 @ 200

India Rubber coats, " " 24 @ 60

" pants, " " 15 @ 20

Overalls, " " 6 @ 20

Fine clothing, 30 p. et. above San Francisco cost.